Different Pay Scales of First Division Clerks.

*Q.—1064. Sri V. M. DEO (Gubbi).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(a) the reason for sanctioning three different pay scales of Rs. 130-270, 120-240 and 110-220 to First Division Clerks working in Secretariat, State Accounts and other Departments of State Government respectively ;

(b) whether it is a fact that common educational qualification are prescribed for recuitment of First Division Clerks and common Departmental qualifications for promotion to the cadre of First Division Clerks.

(c) if so, why there is disparity in the pay scales in the same category of officials said above ;

(d) whether they would sanction common scale for all the First Division clerks wherever they are working in the State ?

A.—Sri S. NIJALINGAPPA (Chief Minister).—

(a) Different pay scales are sanctioned on the basis of the nature of work they are reqnired to handle. The work in Secretarirt is quite different from other offices. It is where that the policies of Government are determined and the working of these policies are reviewed. Apart from this, the work has to be dealt with in a secret and confidential manner which needs staff of high standard of rectitude and reliability. Higher scales are therefore sanctioned with a view to attract the right type of candidates.

The work in State Accounts Department is of arduous and technical nature and hence better scales are required to attract candidates having an aptitude for this kind of work.

(b) For purposes of recruitment a University Degree is prescribed for all Departments, but no common Departmental qualifications for promotion to the cadre of First Division are prescribed. Departmental examinations vary according to the requirements of each department.

(c) Please see reply (a)

(d) Not possible in view of reply to item (a) above.

Local candidates working in Chief Engineer (C and B).

*Q.—1066. Sri H. R. KESHAVA MURTHY (Gandasi).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(a) whether the Chief Engineer (C and B), Bangalore has issued orders to the candidates who have been selected by the Divisional Recruitment Committee for the post of I and II Division Clerks ;